

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A utility light comprising:
a housing having a hollow interior and a lens opening closed by a transparent lens;
5 a stand pivotally attached to said housing, said housing being rotatable about a first axis of rotation relative to said stand for orienting said lens;
a locking means on said housing for selectively engaging said stand to prevent rotation of said housing relative to said stand; and
a hook mounted on said stand for movement between a stored position and an in-use position, said housing being rotatable about a second axis of rotation relative to said hook when said hook is in said in-use position for supporting said housing and orienting said lens.
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2. The utility light according to claim 1 wherein said stand includes a bar having an upstanding leg at each end thereof and said hook is positioned between said bar and said housing in said stored position.
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3. The utility light according to claim 2 including a pair of feet attached to said bar adjacent associated ones of said legs, said bar and said feet cooperating to support said housing freestanding on a generally horizontal surface.
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4. The utility light according to claim 1 including at least one aperture formed in said stand for attaching said stand and said housing to a support surface with a fastener.
- 25 5. The utility light according to claim 1 wherein said locking means includes a pair of threaded studs extending from opposite sides of said housing defining said first axis of rotation, said studs extending through said stand, and a pair of knobs threadably engaging free ends of said studs, whereby when said knobs are tightened on said studs, said stand is forced against said housing to prevent rotation of said housing about said first axis
30 of rotation.

6. The utility light according to claim 1 including a first plurality of cooling slots formed in said lens adjacent a bottom edge of said lens and a second plurality of cooling slots formed in said lens adjacent a top edge of said lens.

5 7. The utility light according to claim 1 including a first plurality of cooling slots formed in a bottom portion of said housing and a second plurality of cooling slots formed in said housing adjacent a top edge of said housing.

8. The utility light according to claim 1 including at least one lamp assembly
10 mounted in said housing adjacent said lens and at least one support post extending from a rear interior surface of said housing and having a free end engaging said at least one lamp assembly.

9. The utility light according to claim 8 including a lamp cushion mounted on said
15 free end of said at least one support post in contact with said at least one lamp assembly.

10. The utility light according to claim 9 including at least another support post extending from an interior surface of said lens and having a free end engaging said at least one lamp assembly and another lamp cushion mounted on said free end of said another support post in contact with said at least one lamp assembly.
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11. The utility light according to claim 1 including a socket mounted on said stand, said hook having a ball rotatably retained in said socket.

25 12. A utility light comprising:
a housing having a hollow interior and a lens opening closed by a transparent lens;
at least two lamp assemblies mounted in said housing in line for generating light through said lens;
two switches mounted on said housing, each said switch turning on and off an
30 associated one of said at least two lamp assemblies;
a stand pivotally attached to said housing, said housing being rotatable about a first axis of rotation relative to said stand; and

a locking means on said housing for selectively engaging said stand to prevent rotation of said housing relative to said stand.

13. The utility light according to claim 12 including a hook mounted on said stand 5 for movement between a stored position and an in-use position for suspending said housing, said housing being rotatable about a second axis of rotation relative to said hook when said hook is in said in-use position.

14. The utility light according to claim 12 wherein said stand includes a pair of feet 10 for supporting said housing freestanding on a generally horizontal surface.

15. The utility light according to claim 12 including at least one aperture formed in said stand for attaching said stand and said housing to a support surface with a fastener.

15 16. A utility light comprising:

a housing having a hollow interior and a lens opening closed by a removable transparent lens;

four fluorescent twin lamp assemblies mounted in said housing in line for generating light through said lens;

20 two switches mounted on said housing, each said switch turning on and off an associated pair of said twin lamp assemblies;

a stand pivotally attached to said housing, said housing being rotatable about a first axis of rotation relative to said stand;

25 a locking means on said housing for selectively engaging said stand to prevent rotation of said housing relative to said stand; and

a hook mounted on said housing for movement between a stored position and an in-use position, said housing being rotatable about a second axis of rotation relative to said hook when said hook is in said in-use position.

30 17. The utility light according to claim 16 including a first plurality of cooling slots formed in said lens adjacent a bottom edge of said lens and a second plurality of cooling slots formed in said lens adjacent a top edge of said lens.

18. The utility light according to claim 16 including a first plurality of cooling slots formed in a bottom portion of said housing and a second plurality of cooling slots formed in said housing adjacent a top edge of said housing.

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19. The utility light according to claim 16 including a plurality of support posts extending from a rear interior surface of said housing and an interior surface of said lens, each said support post having a free end, and a plurality of lamp cushions each mounted on said free end of and associated one of said support posts and in contact with an associated
10 one of said lamp assemblies.

20. The utility light according to claim 16 wherein said locking means includes a pair of threaded studs extending from opposite sides of said housing defining said first axis of rotation, said studs extending through said stand, and a pair of knobs threadably
15 engaging free ends of said studs, whereby when said knobs are tightened on said studs, said stand is forced against said housing to prevent rotation of said housing about said first axis of rotation.